Mr. M. K. Raman.—How is it that no information is available. Whether anybody made any oral representation with regard to this event?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No record with me.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—If anybody makes any oral explanation with regard to any serious occurrence what is done?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—It will be reduced to writing.

President.—So they did not get any oral information at all on any point.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—The answer is 'no information.'

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—That means no.

President.—I mean it follows that, whenever information is given, it will be reduced to writing. This has not been reduced to writing.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—The answer with regard to that is 'no information.'

President.—How many oral reports were received before they proceeded to the spot?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No information.

President.—Any report?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—Does it mean that there is no report?

President.—Time is up.

146. Mr. M. K. Raman.—Will the Government kindly answer:—

(a) what is the educational qualification of Sub-Inspector Mr. Vytheeswara Ayyar;

(b) on what pay did he start in the Department;

(c) during the last 12 years has he obtained any adverse remarks or punishments from his superiors;

(d) is there any other Sub-Inspector in the State who has only similar educational qualification as he;

(e) what caste does this Sub-Inspector belong to?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) Studied up to the Matriculation Class.

(b) On Rs. 6.

(c) Yes.

(d) Yes. There are two.

(e) (1) Eurasian.

(2) Kshetria.

Orders on the Special Finance Committee Report.

147. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they remember to have stated

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during the last Budget Session that final orders on the report of the Special Finance Committee would be passed early in Chingam 1105;

(b) if so, what are the special reasons for not passing final orders though it is already Thulam 1105;

(c) at what stage is the consideration of the same now and when will it be published?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) The statement then made was:—"The matter will not be delayed further than the commencement of the next year".

(b) The consideration is not completely finished.

(c) Almost in the concluding stage. No time-limit can be specified.

148. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it was not stated in the last Budget Session of the Council on behalf of the Government that the Government would pass orders on the Special Finance Committee Report in the month of Chingam last and what is the reason for not carrying it out?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Vide answer to question No. 147.

Reduction of Travelling Allowance.

149. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) whether any step has been taken by the Government with reference to the reduction of the high rate of travelling allowance granted especially to the superior officers of the Government service, the necessity of which had been pointed out during the first Budget Session of the first Council by many of the non-official Members of the Legislative Council; and if not, (b) what is the reason for not taking any effective action so far with reference to this matter?

Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.—(a) and (b). The question was referred to the Special Finance Committee and their proposals in this direction are under the consideration of the Government.

Increase of pay to low-paid clerks.

150. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) whether any effective action has been taken by the Government to increase the pay of the low-paid clerks and others in Government service and if so,

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